- Use of performance measures, e.g., quality of transplant outcomes and annual number of transplants performed, in determining the eligibility of transplant centers to receive donor livers
- 2. Donation of Organs for Transplantation

The medical need for livers and other human organs for transplantation continues to exceed the number of donor organs by a considerable margin. No organ allocation policies, no matter how well crafted or effectively implemented, can be expected to compensate for serious short-falls in the supply of organs relative to the demand.

- a. What are the major impediments to organ donation?
- b. How can the Department, organ procurement organizations, hospitals, and other entities improve current efforts to promote organ donation?
- c. Where and to what extent are further initiatives necessary to ensure that members of racial and ethnic minority groups are appropriately apprised regarding such matters as the role of organ transplantation within the health-care system, the unique health benefits that can ensue from successful transplantation, the limitations associated with transplant procedures, and the challenges involved in recruiting organ donors?

Dated: November 6, 1996.

Ciro V. Sumaya, *Administrator.*

Approved: November 7, 1996.

Donna E. Shalala,

Secretary.

[FR Doc. 96-29145 Filed 11-8-96; 10:52 am]

BILLING CODE 4160-15-M

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

43 CFR Parts 1600, 1820, 1840, 1850, 1860, 1880, 2090, 2200, 2300, 2520, 2540, 2560, 2620, 2720, 2800, 2810, 2880, 2910, 2920, 3000, 3100, 3120, 3150, 3160, 3180, 3200, 3240, 3250, 3260, 3280, 3410, 3420, 3430, 3450, 3470, 3480, 3500, 3510, 3520, 3530, 3540, 3550, 3560, 3590, 3710, 3730, 3740, 3800, 3810, 3830, 3870, 4200, 4300, 4700, 5000, 5470, 5510, 8370, 9180 and 9230

[WO-130-1820-00 24 1A]

RIN 1004-AC99

Appeals Procedures; Hearings Procedures

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed regulations, extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On October 17, 1996, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published a document in the Federal Register announcing a proposed rule to revise and consolidate existing procedures for hearings and appeals into a single, streamlined administrative review process covering most of BLM's decisions (61 FR 54120). The 30-day comment period for the proposed rule expires on November 18, 1996. BLM has received several requests from the public for additional time to comment and is extending the comment period for an additional 60 days.

DATES: Submit comments by January 17, 1997.

ADDRESSES: If you wish to comment, you may:

- (a) Hand-deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L St., NW., Washington, DC.;
- (b) Mail comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401LS, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240; or
- (c) Send comments through the Internet to WOComment@wo.blm.gov. Please include "attn: AC99", and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, please contact us directly at (202)452–5030.

You will be able to review comments at BLM's Regulatory Affairs Group office, Room 401, 1620 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Holdren 202–452–7779, or Bernie Hyde 202–452–5057.

Dated: November 6, 1996.

Annetta Cheek,

Regulatory Affairs Group Manager.

[FR Doc. 96-29028 Filed 11-12-96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-84-M

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

46 CFR Part 586

[Docket No. 96-20]

Port Restrictions and Requirements in the United States/Japan Trade

AGENCY: Federal Maritime Commission. **ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Federal Maritime Commission, in response to apparent unfavorable conditions in the foreign oceanborne trade between the United States and Japan, proposes the imposition of fees on liner vessels operated by Japanese carriers calling at United States ports. The effect of the rule will be to adjust or meet unfavorable conditions caused by Japanese port restrictions and requirements by imposing countervailing burdens on Japanese carriers.

DATES: Comments due on or before January 13, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments (original and 15 copies) to: Joseph C. Polking, Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20573, (202) 523–5725.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert D. Bourgoin, General Counsel, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20573, (202) 523–5740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Information Demand Orders

On September 12, 1995, the Federal Maritime Commission ("Commission" or "FMC") issued information demand orders to carriers in the U.S./Japan trade, inquiring about certain restrictions and requirements for the use

¹NYK Line (North America) Inc.; Mitsui O.S.K. Lines (America), Inc.; K Line America Inc.; Sea-Land Service, Inc.; American President Line; Westwood Shipping Lines; Evergreen Line; Hanjin Shipping Co.; Ltd.; Maersk Inc.; China Ocean Shipping Co.; Hyundai Merchant Marine; Orient Overseas Container Line ("OOCL"); Yangming Marine Line; Neptune Orient Lines; Senator Linie (USA) Inc.; Mexican Line (TMM); Hapag-Lloyd (America) Inc.; Zim Container; and Cho Yang Line.